

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS;

- Claim 1. An improved snow shovel that can pass over and past a vertical barrier such as one created by a crack or an expansion joint in a concrete sidewalk that has one edge of said crack or expansion joint higher than the other edge creating a natural vertical barrier to the forward progress of snow shovels as they are pushed along a sidewalk while removing snow from said sidewalk.
- Claim 2. An improved snow shovel as set forth in claim 1. wherein said improved snow shovel can pass over and past said vertical obstructions without having to be lifted manually off the surface of the concrete sidewalk.
- Claim 3. An improved snow shovel as set forth in claim 2. wherein said improved snow shovel can pass over and past said vertical obstruction by lowering the handle of said snow shovel about ten inches and sliding it forward.
- Claim 4. An improved snow shovel as set forth in claim 3. wherein said improved snow shovel can pass over and past said vertical obstruction due to the unique shape of the lower surface of the blade of the said snow shovel.
- Claim 5. An improved snow shovel as set forth in claim 4, wherein said improved snow shovel can pass over and past said vertical obstruction due to the unique wedge like protrusion on the bottom surface of the blade of said improved snow shovel being used as a fulcrum to lever the working edge of the blade of the snow shovel up and above the vertical obstacle in front of it.

Claim 6, An improved snow shovel as set forth in claim 5. wherein said improved snow shovel can pass over and past said vertical obstruction due to the unique wedge like protrusion on the bottom surface of the blade of said snow shovel, and at the same time the wedge like protrusion which is located on the bottom surface of the blade at the front working edge of said blade will reinforce this edge with a large amount of the same material the blade is made of thereby resulting in a much slower rate of wear as this surface is scraped and worn off as the snow shovel is used, resulting in a much longer lasting snow shovel,

Claim 7. An improved snow shovel as set forth in claim 6. wherein the unique wedge like protrusion is not an original part of the blade of the snow shovel, being made separate, and added to the blade at a later time or date, by any of many ways of doing so, such as, welding, riveting or bolting.

Claim 8. An improved snow shovel as set forth in claim 7. wherein the protrusion instead of being a wedge like shape would be of another shape, such as half round or a wide "V".

Claim 9. An improved snow shovel as set forth in claim 8. wherein the said protrusion is replaced by a set of small wheels fixed to the under side of said blade in the same area,

Claim 10, An improved snow shovel with a polished, and/or treated and/or coated blade, with a non stick substance such as teflon